

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

CRIMINAL MINUTES

JUDGE Joseph C. Spero

COURT DEPUTY: Karen Hom

DATE: April 4, 2008

COURT REPORTER: FTR 10:44-10:59

CASE NO. CR 08-00160-1

TIME: 19 mins

NAME: USA v. JOHN JOSEPH COTA

COUNSEL FOR GOVERNMENT:
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COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT:
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COUNSEL FOR MATERIAL WITNESSES: (Case 07-90552 MISC VRW)

Brian Getz for Hong Zhi Wang

Petra Reinecke for Sun Mao Cai

Jonathan Howden for Kong Xiang Hu, Shun Biao Zhao, Liang Xian Zheng & Zong Bin Li

PROCEEDINGS:

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| 1. Status/Trial Setting | HELD |
| 2. USA's Motion For Authority to Comply with the Crime Victims' Rights Act Using Appropriate Alternative Measures | GRANTED |
| 3. Material Witnesses' Oral Motion to Unseal Entire Case (Case 7-90552 MISC VRW) | GRANTED |
| 4. Dft's Oral Motion for Referral to a Mag. Judge for Settlement | GRANTED. |

ORDERED AFTER THE HEARING: Dft's presence is waived on 5/5/8 and 5/16/8. Briefing schedule for Material Witnesses' Motion for Release or for Depositions - Gov't response due 4/21/8; reply brief due 4/28/8.

Parties shall confer on the name of a magistrate judge and advise the Court with the name of the selected magistrate judge.

CASE CONTINUED TO: 5/5/8 at 3:30 PM (special setting) for hearing on Material Witnesses' Motion for Release or for Depositions; 5/16/8 at 1:30 PM for a Final Pretrial Conference; and 5/27/8 at 8:30 AM for a 3 week jury trial.

ORDER TO BE PREPARED BY: ☐ Asst. U.S. Attorney ☐ Defendant ☒ Court